INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) and (b) The Central Government had referred the case of Rohtas Industries Ltd. to the Board for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction (BIFR) in June, 1987. In a writ petitions filed by the Workers of Rohtas Industries Limited, the Supreme Court have directed the BIFR to submit the report on Rohtas Industries Limited by 7.3.1988.

Demand for power in Orissa

2236. SHRI BASUDEB MOHAPATRA: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the acute power shortage in Orissa;

(b) what is the total demand for power in Orissa and the production at present;

(c) what will be the power requirement of the State by the end of the Seventh Five Year Plan;

(d) how far it will be possible to meet this demand or power in Orissa; and

(e) what steps have been and are being taken to meet the said demand?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) During the period April to October, 1987, Orissa faced a power shortage of about 15.5 per cent.

(b) During October, 1987, the total energy requirement in Orissa was 655 million units against which the availability was 512 million units.

(c) to (e) The anticipated energy requirement in Orissa in 1989-90 is expected to be 10552 million units against which the availability is likely to be 6757 million units. In order to increase the availability of power in the State, various measures are being taken which include expediting commissioning of new capactty, optimum utilisation of existing capacity, reduction of transmission and distribution losses and implementation of centrally Sponsored Renovation and Modernisation scheme at Talcher Thermal Power Station. To the extent possible, assistance is also provided to Orissa from the Farakka and Chukka Power Stations as well as from the neighbouring systems.

Generating units supplied by BHEL

2237. SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR:
SHRI KAILASH PATI MISHRA:

Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that most of the thermal plants in Bihar, West Bengal, Uttar Pradesh and Orissa have 110 MW generating units supplied by BHEL; if so, what is their number, power station-wise;

(b) whether it is also a fact that P/L factor of most of these units is much below the national average; if so, what steps are being taken by the Central Government to enhance the P/L factor of these units; and

(c) whether there is any proposal to set up a spare part store for these units at Ranchi or some other place and also a full fledged over-hauling unit, if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) and (b) Out of the total thermal capacity in the State Electricity Boards of Bihar, West Bengal, Uttar Pradesh and Orissa, 110 MW units supplied by BHEL constitute about 62.6 per cent, 6 per cent, 18.2 per cent and 46.8 per cent of the capacity respectively. Station-wise information about the number of 110 MW units and their PLF during April—October, 1987 is given in the enclosed Statement. (*See* below). The All-India Plant Load Factor during this period was 53.8 per cent. In order to improve the PLF of these units, necessary assistance is being provided to the State Electricity Boards in